

By Mayor and Council - Township of North Brunswick

WHEREAS, the Township of North Brunswick's Veteran Street Sign Program allows Township residents who were Wartime Veterans to be recognized by adding their name on a secondary street sign to an existing Municipal Road; and

WHEREAS, by adding names of local Wartime Veterans to public street signs, we hope to promote public awareness of these individuals and show our appreciation for their outstanding contributions and service to our country as a member of the United States Armed Forces; and

WHEREAS, eligible military candidates for this honor include honorably discharged Veterans having served in Military Departments as defined under Department of Defense which include Departments of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps and the Coast Guard; and

WHEREAS, Wartime Veterans are individuals who served in the active military forces, during a period of armed conflict or who received the armed forces expeditionary or other campaign service medals during an emergency condition, including those who died in the line of duty in the active military forces; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Di Gloria has been selected to be recognized in the Veteran Street Sign Program; and

WHEREAS, Joseph was born on May 23, 1919 in Brooklyn, New York; and

WHEREAS, Joseph enlisted in the Army on August 6, 1941 at the age of 22 when America was under attack during World War II. He trained and completed boot camp and was assigned to Company E 34th Infantry 24th Division. He went on to fight in the Philippines against the Japanese. He served for over thirty eight months in the combat theatre and on three different islands. Joseph became ill with Malaria and left the war zone in October 1944 as a Private First Class. After arriving home, he was stationed in Hawaii for a short time where he guarded German prisoners; and

WHEREAS, Joseph was Honorably Discharged and earned numerous medals during his time of service which include the Distinguished Medal, Asiatic Pacific, Purple Heart and three other medals of honor; and

WHEREAS, Joseph continued his service to our country by being the Veteran's Service Officer for the Township of North Brunswick for many years. As a Veteran's Service Officer he provided fellow serviceman with military benefit assistance. He was an active member of the American Legion Lee Pardun Post 459 and the New Brunswick VFW. Joseph was proud of the war memorabilia he collected from his time in the service as well; and

WHEREAS, Joseph was married to Jeannette (Sciarratta) on July 1, 1945. Together they have two children, Josephine Tallman and Vincent Di Gloria. They also have five grandchildren; Colleen Jones, Michael Reagan, Patrick Reagan, Cristen Di Gloria and Aaron Di Gloria.

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, the Mayor and Council of the Township of North Brunswick, **DO HEREBY PROCLAIM**, distinguished recognition to **Joseph Di Gloria** for his service to our country ensuring freedom for all.

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